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Applicant: Juan Carlos Parodi : Art Unit: 3738
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For: ENDOLUMINAL DEVICE AND METHOD FOR : 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

TREATING BRANCHED LUMEN HAVING A
RESTRICTED SECTION (As amended)

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED DECEMBER 31, 2002

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SIR:

Responsive to the Office Action dated December 31, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

CLAIMS:

Please replace claim 7, 12 and 13 with the following amended claims:

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2 7. (Once Amended) An endoluminal device for deployment within
3 a first lumen comprising a restricted section having an inner surface with an inner
4 diameter and a bifurcation into branch lumens each having an inner surface with an
5 inner diameter, the restricted section inner diameter being smaller than a sum of the
6 branch lumen inner diameters, the device comprising a proximal main tubular
7 portion to be retained within a proximal portion of the first lumen and having a first
8 diameter and two tubular limbs depending from the proximal main tubular portion,
9 each limb having a second diameter and a distal end portion for deployment inside
10 one of the branch lumens against the branch lumen inner surface, the distal end
 portion defining a third diameter larger than the second diameter, wherein the sum

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